

**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR****Employment and Training  
Administration**

[TA-W-30, 904]

**Alliant Techsystems, Inc., A/K/A  
Hercules, Inc. Kenvil, NJ; Amended  
Certification Regarding Eligibility to  
Apply for Worker Adjustment  
Assistance**

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 USC. 2273) the Department of Labor issued a Notice of Certification Regarding Eligibility to Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance on April 28, 1995, applicable to all workers of Alliant Techsystems, Incorporated, Kenvil, New Jersey engaged in employment related to the production of propellants. The notice was published in the Federal Register on May 9, 1995 (60 FR 24653).

New information received from the State Agency show that some of the workers at Alliant Techsystems, Incorporated had their unemployment insurance (UI) taxes paid to Hercules, Inc.

Accordingly, the Department is amending the certification to properly reflect this matter.

The intent of the Department's certification is to include all workers of Alliant Techsystems, Incorporated who were adversely affected by increased imports.

The amended notice applicable to TA-W-30,904 is hereby issued as follows:

"All workers of Alliant Techsystems, Incorporated, a/k/a Hercules, Inc., Kenville, New Jersey engaged in employment related to the production of propellants who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after March 30, 1994 are eligible to apply for adjustment assistance under Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974."

Signed at Washington, DC this 23rd day of May 1995.

**Victor J. Trunzo,**

*Program Manager, Policy and Reemployment Services, Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance.*

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**Mine Safety and Health Administration****Petitions for Modification**

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of mandatory safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

**1. H & S Coal Company**

[Docket No. M-95-67-C]

H & S Coal Company, 534 Melrose Street, Marion Heights, Pennsylvania 17832 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1400 (hoisting equipment; general) to its No. 1 Slope (I.D. No. 36-08447) located in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner proposes to use a slope conveyance (gunboat) in transporting persons without installing safety catches or other no less effective devices but instead use a increased rope strength/safety factor and secondary safety rope connection in place of such devices. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

**2. C. H. & S. Coal Company**

[Docket No. M-95-68-C]

C. H. & S. Coal Company, Inc., P.O. Box 159, Birchleaf, Virginia 24220 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1711-2 (sealing of slope or drift openings) to its Mine No. 3 (I.D. No. 44-01246) located in Scott County, Virginia. The petitioner proposes to install bat gates on openings at Mine No. 3 and Portals C in addition to the two bat gates already installed by the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy at openings Portal A and Portal B in 1987. The petitioner states that the U.S. Forest Service has information that would verify that bat-friendly angle-iron gates have proven highly successful in ensuring both human and bat safety throughout the country; and that they would be willing to provide gate plans for review and to take responsibility for the maintenance and upkeep of the gates including responsibility for the public's safety. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

**3. Bear Coal Company**

[Docket No. M-95-69-C]

Bear Coal Company, P.O. Box 518, Somerset, Colorado 81434 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.364(b)(4) (weekly examination) to its Bear No. 3 Mine (I.D. No. 05-03787) located in Gunnison County, Colorado. Due to a roof fall in the "C" seam at crosscuts #25 and #26, entries #0 and #1 impeding travel to two (2) permanent seals the area cannot be traveled safely. The petitioner proposes to establish monitoring stations to measure the quantity and quality of air entering and leaving the affected area; to have a certified person examine the

stations on a daily basis and record the results in a book kept on the surface and made available for inspection by interested persons. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

**4. Clinchfield Coal Company**

[Docket No. M-95-70-C]

Clinchfield Coal Company, 1600 Laidley Tower, P.O. Box 553, Charleston, West Virginia 25322 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.350 (air courses and belt haulage entries) to its McClure No. 2 Mine (I.D. No. 44-04946) located in Dickenson County, Virginia. Due to extreme restrictions on the intake airways, the petitioner proposes to install a low-level carbon monoxide monitoring system as an early warning fire detection system in all belt entries used as intake air courses to ventilate the active working faces and to dilute and render harmless respirable dust and harmful gases. The petitioner states that application of the standard would result in diminution of safety to the miners. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

**5. Clinchfield Coal Company**

[Docket No. M-95-71-C]

Clinchfield Coal Company, 1600 Laidley Tower, P.O. Box 553, Charleston, West Virginia 25322 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.340(a) (underground electrical installations) to its McClure No. 2 Mine (I.D. No. 44-04946) located in Dickenson County, Virginia. Due to extreme air restrictions on the intake airways, the petitioner proposes to install a low-level carbon monoxide monitoring system in all belt entries used as intake air courses as an early warning fire detection system to ventilate the active working faces and to dilute and render harmless respirable dust and harmful gases. The petitioner states that application of the standard would result in a diminution of safety to the miners. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

**6. Costain Coal, Inc.**

[Docket No. M-95-72-C]

Costain Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 289, Sturgis, Kentucky 42459 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1710-1 (canopies or cabs; self-

propelled electric face equipment; installation requirements) to its No. 9 Wheatcroft Mine (I.D. No. 15-13920) located in Webster County, Kentucky. The petitioner requests a modification of the mandatory standard to eliminate the use of a canopy or cab on its Pettito Mule longwall shield puller. The petitioner proposes to have its roof bolt spacing between the longwall shield canopy tip and the coal block reduced from 5 foot to 4 foot centers; to install additional roof bolts or cribs if adverse or questionable roof conditions occur; to install additional roof bolts or cribs if the longwall canopy tips are located more than 5 feet from the coal block; and to have a certified person continue to evaluate the roof conditions during longwall shield removal. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### 7. Consolidation Coal Company

[Docket No. M-95-73-C]

Consolidation Coal Company, Consol Plaza, 1800 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.364(b) (weekly examination) to its Osage No. 3 Mine (I.D. No. 46-01455) located in Monongalia County, West Virginia. Due to deteriorating roof and rib conditions in the Main West return aircourse, between block markers 7 and 18, traveling the area would be unsafe. The petitioner proposes to establish evaluation check points to monitor the affected area; to have a certified person test for methane and the quantity of air at each check point on a weekly basis, and record the results in a record book kept on the surface and made available for inspection by interested persons. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### 8. Industrial Coal Corporation

[Docket No. M-95-74-C]

Industrial Coal Corporation, P.O. Box 1139, Grundy, Virginia 24614 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 77.214(a) (refuse piles; general) to its Mine No. 3 (I.D. No. 44-06673) located in Buchanan County, Virginia. The petitioner proposes to seal the mine by removing all sloughed overburden for 10 to 12 feet in front of and to either side of the drift openings in order to allow placement of suitable material for sealing. The petitioner proposes to install a rock core underdrain constructed of durable sandstone rock,

enclosed in filter fabric to prevent piping, and/or 2 to 3 inch CMP drain for wet seal in the lowest entry; to backfill the portal areas with an impervious, noncombustible material that contains enough fines to ensure an airtight seal and compacted to 90 percent Proctor dry density; to backfill to 4 feet above drift openings or to 4 feet above any visible cracks above the drifts; and to backfill all exposed coal seams in the vicinity of the openings to a minimum depth of 4 feet above the top of the seam. Petitioner states that all backfill material would be placed in 2-foot lifts. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### 9. Trapper Mining, Inc.

[Docket No. M-95-75-C]

Trapper Mining, Inc., P.O. Box 187, Craig, Colorado 81626 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 77.1304(a) (blasting agents; special provisions) to its Trapper Mine (I.D. No. 05-02838) located in Moffat County, Colorado. The petitioner requests that its previous petition be amended to allow the addition of petroleum-based solvent (NAPHTHA) to the recycled oil/diesel fuel mixture in the creation of an ammonium nitrate-fuel oil (ANFO) for use as a blasting agent at the minesite. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### 10. Twentymile Coal Company

[Docket No. M-95-76-C]

Twentymile Coal Company, 29515 Routt County Road #27, Oak Creek, Colorado 80467 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.507 (power connection points) to its Foidel Creek Mine (I.D. No. 05-03836) located in Routt County, Colorado. The petitioner proposes to use high-voltage submersible pumps in boreholes drilled into a sump area or areas of the mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### 11. Twentymile Coal Company

[Docket No. M-95-77-C]

Twentymile Coal Company, 29515 Routt County Road #27, Oak Creek, Colorado 80467 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.803 (fail safe ground check circuits on high-voltage resistance grounded systems) to its Foidel Creek Mine (I.D. No. 05-03836) located in Routt County, Colorado. The petitioner proposes to use

high-voltage submersible pumps in boreholes drilled into a sump area or areas of the mine. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### 12. Cyprus Bagdad Copper Corporation

[Docket No. M-95-08-M]

Cyprus Bagdad Copper Corporation, 9100 East Minerals Circle, Englewood, Colorado 80112 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 56.6309 (fuel oil requirements for ANFO) to its Bagdad Mine (I.D. No. 02-00137) located in Yavapai County, Arizona. The petitioner proposes to blend recycled oil with fuel oil in preparing ammonium nitrate-fuel oil (ANFO) for use as a blasting agent. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### Request for Comments

Persons interested in these petitions may furnish written comments. These comments must be filed with the Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Room 627, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22203. All comments must be postmarked or received in that office on or before July 3, 1995. Copies of these petitions are available for inspection at that address.

Dated: May 25, 1995.

**Patricia W. Silvey,**

*Director, Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances.*

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#### NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

##### National Endowment For The Humanities

##### Agency Information Collection Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** National Endowment for the Humanities, National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the following proposal for expedited action for a generic clearance for voluntary customer surveys. This collection of information falls under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).